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Appln. No.: 10/092,469	)	
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Filed: March 8, 2002	)	
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For: CONTAINER LID WITH SELECT-	)	December 11, 2003
ABLE OPENING AND VALVE	:	
ASSEMBLY FOR RETAINING A	)	
VALVE	:	

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THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of each of these documents is also enclosed.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the attached Sheets 1/7 through 7/7. Sheets 1/7 through 5/7 are color images obtained by Applicants of cross sections of five different products, marked "A" through "E," respectively. Each of these five products was for sale in stores in the United States before the filing date of the subject application. Sheet 6/7 is a drawing showing a cross-sectional view of a conventional valve housing for receiving a valve, such as, for example, valve 10 in U.S. Patent No. 6,273,305. In the

drawing shown on Sheet 6/7, an angle  $\Phi$  represents an angle between a horizontal plane and a valve seating surface. Sheet 7/7 is a table prepared by Applicants that provides the name of each of the products A through E, as marked thereon, and the value of the angle  $\Phi$  for each of these products, as obtained by Applicants.

#### FEE STATEMENT

Please charge one hundred eighty dollars (\$180), which is the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p), as required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) for filing this Information Disclosure Statement, to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

#### REMARKS

Applicants request that the Examiner consider the cited information and that an annotated copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned with the next official communication indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to the address given below for S.C. Johnson & Son, Inc.

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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
EXAMINER INITIAL		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		US 2003/0052126 A1	20 Mar. 2003	Zettle et al.	220	254.3	14 Sept. 2001
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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